DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; and

I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below), or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled MATERIALS AND METHODS FOR THE TREATMENT OR PREVENTION OF OBESITY specification for which

	is attached	l hereto.	
Ø	was filed_	December 14, 2001 , Serial No	

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 and/or §365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Application Serial No.	Country	Filing Date	Priority Claimed
PCT/US01/27432	PCT	September 4, 2001	YES

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 of any provisional application(s) for patent listed below:

Application		
Serial No.	Filing Date	Priority Claimed

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 and/or §365 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application	Filing Date	Status (Patented,
Serial No.		Pending, Abandoned)
09/654,357	September 1, 2000	Pending
PCT/US01/27432	September 4, 2001	Pending

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

I hereby appoint the following persons registered to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office as my attorneys and agents with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and all divisions and continuations thereof and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: the registrants of the firm Saliwanchik, Lloyd & Saliwanchik, A Professional Association, 2421 N.W. 41st Street, Suite A-1, Gainesville, FL 32606-6669, Customer ID No. 23,557.

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